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DECISION AND ORDER ON COST AWARDS

EB-2024-0026

GREATER SUDBURY HYDRO INC.

Application for electricity distribution rates beginning May 1, 2025

BEFORE: **Anthony Zlahtic**
Presiding Commissioner

Patrick Moran
Commissioner

Vinay Sharma
Commissioner

April 28, 2026

OVERVIEW

This is a decision of the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on cost claims filed with respect to a Greater Sudbury Hydro Inc. proceeding.

Greater Sudbury Hydro Inc. filed a cost of service application on October 30, 2024, seeking approval for changes to the rates Greater Sudbury Hydro charges for electricity distribution effective May 1, 2025.

The OEB granted Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario (AMPCO), the Coalition of Concerned Manufacturers and Businesses of Canada (CCMBC), School Energy Coalition (SEC), and Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition (VECC) intervenor status and cost award eligibility.

On April 15, 2025, the OEB issued its Partial Decision and Interim Rate Order in which it set out the process for interim cost claims. The OEB permitted cost eligible intervenors to file interim claims for costs incurred up to April 30, 2025.

In its June 10, 2025 Decision and Order on Interim Cost Awards, the OEB awarded the following interim costs to AMPCO, CCMBC, and SEC.

- Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario \$ 14,356.68
- Coalition of Concerned Manufacturers and Businesses of Canada \$ 12,678.60
- School Energy Coalition \$ 24,420.44

VECC did not file an interim cost claim but advised it would file its complete cost claim at the end of the proceeding.

On February 17, 2026, the OEB issued its Final Decision and Order in which it set out, among other matters, the final cost awards process. Intervenors were directed to file cost claims for the entire proceeding and any amount previously received as an interim award would be applied as a credit against the total claimed. The OEB reminded AMPCO and CCMBC that as part of the OEB's review of cost claims at the conclusion of the proceeding, AMPCO and CCMBC would be required to explain how they coordinated their interventions when submitting their cost claims, or if they did not, why that was appropriate in their view.¹

The OEB received total cost claims from AMPCO, CCMBC, SEC, and VECC. The total claims requested are as follows:

¹ EB-2024-0026, Procedural Order No. 1, December 12, 2024, p. 2

• Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario	\$ 19,979.27
• Coalition of Concerned Manufacturers and Businesses of Canada	\$21,500.53
• School Energy Coalition	\$35,749.49
• Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition	\$ 34,236.01

Findings

The OEB has reviewed the claims filed to ensure that they are compliant with the OEB's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*.

The OEB finds that the cost claims are reasonable and shall be reimbursed by Greater Sudbury Hydro.

THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD ORDERS THAT:

1. Pursuant to section 30 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, Greater Sudbury Hydro Inc. shall immediately pay the following amounts to the intervenors for their costs:

• Association of Major Power Consumers in Ontario	\$5,622.59
• Coalition of Concerned Manufacturers and Businesses of Canada	\$8,821.93
• School Energy Coalition	\$11,329.05
• Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition	\$34,236.01

DATED at Toronto April 28, 2026

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Ritchie Murray
Registrar